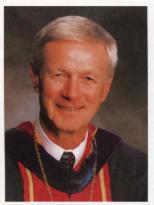


# Clinical Congress News

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## Welcome



David G. Murray, MD, FACS, President

n behalf of the Board of Regents, it is my distinct honor and privilege to welcome you to Chicago for the 83rd Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons.

The Clinical Congress is the world's largest educational meeting for surgeons in all specialties. Total

attendance, including other health care professionals, scientific and industrial exhibitors, members of the press, and invited guests, is expected to exceed 17,000.

Under the direction of C. James Carrico, MD, FACS, Chair, and A. Brent Eastman, MD, FACS, Vice-Chair, the College's Program Committee has planned another outstanding, timely program. Activities formally begin at 9:30 on Monday morning. Robb H. Rutledge, MD, FACS, will deliver the Opening Ceremony Lecture, entitled "The Day Surgery Was Changed Forever." Immediately following the opening ceremonies, the full program of general and specialty sessions will commence.

The annual nine named lectures will be presented by a distinguished group of speakers from around the world. Additional educational highlights of the meeting include sessions on assessing new surgical technology, genetic testing and management of the cancer patient, ultrasound for surgeons, minimal access cardiac surgery, image-guided breast biopsy, and the use of computers in surgery.

The week's meetings and activities will culminate with the awarding of Fellowship in the College to over 1,590 Initiates at the Convocation ceremonies on Thursday evening in the International Ballroom of the Chicago Hilton and Towers Hotel.

The Clinical Congress continues to be the hall-mark event of this organization. It remains a testament to the dedication, organizational ability, foresight, and cooperation of the College staff, committees, and attendees.

I wish to personally thank the many individuals who make this meeting happen, and extend to each attendee my best wishes for an exciting and productive meeting.

Dr. Murray is professor and chairman, department of orthopaedic surgery at the State University of New York (SUNY) Health Science Center, Syracuse, and the 77th President of the American College of Surgeons.

# Opening lecture examines day that "changed surgery forever"

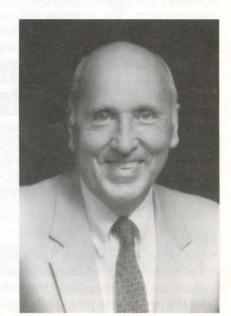
t 9:30 am on Monday, during the Opening Ceremony of the 1997 Clinical Congress, Robb H. Rutledge, MD, FACS, Fort Worth, TX, will present "The Day Surgery Was Changed Forever." The Opening Ceremony will take place in Room S100 of McCormick Place South.

Dr. Rutledge is clinical professor of surgery, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, and attending surgeon, John Peter Smith Hospital, Fort Worth, TX. He received a medical degree from Harvard Medical School (1949), and has served as clinical assistant professor in surgery (1970-1983), clinical associate professor in

surgery (1983-1989), and clinical professor in surgery (1989 to present) at the University of Texas Health Science Center, Dallas.

Dr. Rutledge has been a Fellow of the College since 1959, and has served as a Governor (1981-1986) and as vice-president (1967-1968) and president (1995-1996) of the College's North Texas Chapter. He has also been a contributor to past Clinical Congresses.

Dr. Rutledge's lecture will focus on the date of October 16, 1846, and the events surrounding the administration of ether by William Morton so that John Collins Warren could painlessly ligate a large vascular malformation in the neck of Edward Gilbert Abbott.



Dr. Rutledge

# Panel, PG course to explore use of computers in surgery

The ACS Regental Committee on Informatics will sponsor a panel discussion on Tuesday morning to consider "Electronic Clinical Information at Your Fingertips." The panel will meet from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in Room S405 of McCormick Place South.

M. Michael Shabot, MD, FACS, Los Angeles, CA, will serve as moderator for the program. Scheduled topics and speakers are: Electronic Access to Clinical Information and Orders, by Clement J. McDonald, MD, Indianapolis, IN; Accessing Clinical Information Over the Internet and World Wide Web, by James J. Cimino, MD, New York, NY; Computerized Decision Support: Impact on Patient Outcomes, by Reed M. Gardner, PhD, Salt Lake City, UT; and Remote Access to Clinical Data: Don't Leave Home without It! by David A. Krusch, MD, FACS, Rochester, NY.

Postgraduate (PG) Course No. 22, "Computers in Surgery" –the first postgraduate course to deal with the applications of computers

in surgical practice—will begin Monday morning in McCormick Place South. The course includes a three-hour didactic lecture session and a three-hour hands-on workshop. Participants will learn the basic techniques for navigating the Windows® 95 operating system, performing a medical literature search, finding and utilizing the surgically related resources on the World Wide Web, basic PC appli-

cations, electronic mail techniques, and techniques for establishing Internet connectivity from one's home or office. The laboratory sessions will have 60 PC workstations with direct Internet connections and will include expert proctors who will be available for one-on-one assistance. David A. Krusch, MD, FACS, Rochester, NY, and Richard R. Sabo, MD, FACS, Bozeman, MT, will co-chair PG No. 22.

## Registration locations and hours

If you have received your credentials for the Clinical Congress, to verify your attendance simply turn in your attendance verification card at an advance registration desk to receive a badge holder and Program Book. The registration area at McCormick Place South will be open Sunday, October 12, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm, Monday, October 13 through Thursday, October 16, 7:30 am - 5:00 pm. As a convenience, advance registration will be open Sunday only from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Chicago Hilton and Towers.

If you received a badge or Postgraduate Course ticket in the mail, you can redeem your verification card for a badge holder, Program Book, and PG manual at these locations.

## **Courses on image-guided** breast biopsy scheduled

he College's popular hands-on practicum on image-guided breast biopsy will be offered in regional locations during 1997 and 1998, including a postgraduate course at the 1998 Spring Meeting in Baltimore, MD. The two-day, 16-hour course provides an opportunity for surgeons and their technologists to learn both ultrasound and stereotactic methodology and instrumentation.

The objective of this course is to introduce new technological developments in biopsy of nonpalpable breast lesions detected on screening mammograms. The program will consist of lectures and hands-on workstations using a variety of equipment, including ultrasound and stereotactic apparatus. Live models and phantom breast moulages will be used in developing image-guided breast biopsy skills. Mammogram interpretation, radiation physics and safety issues, the indications for needle localization, ultrasound, and stereotactically guided biopsy, as well as the limitations of the techniques, will be emphasized.

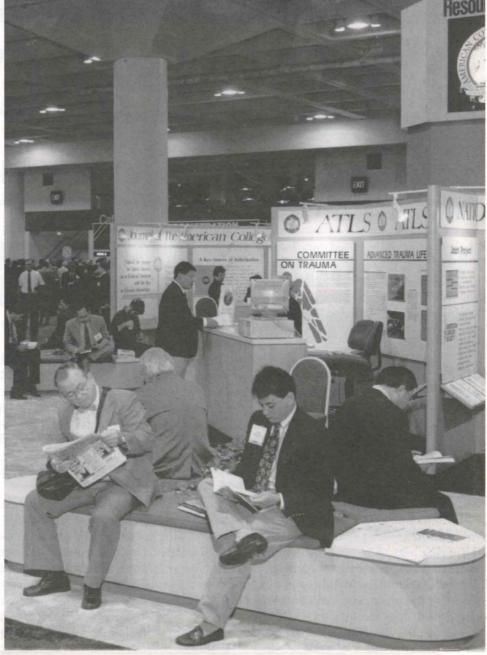
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• December 4-6, Chicago, IL; includes a pre-course day in interpretation of abnormal mammograms. Instructor for the pre-course program is Laszlo Tabar, MD, associate professor of radiology, University of Uppsala School of Medicine, and director, department of mammography, Falun Central Hospital, Sweden. Dr. Tabar has authored numerous articles and books, as well as produced and directed two teaching movies on mammographic screening examina-

#### 1998

- April 28-29, Spring Meeting, Baltimore, MD
- June 26-27, Los Angeles, CA
- October 26-28, Clinical Congress, Orlando, FL; includes a pre-course day in interpretation of abnormal mammograms.
- · December 3-5, Scottsdale, AZ; includes a pre-course day in interpretation of abnormal mammograms. The course will be offered to 112 Fellows on a first-come, first-served

Cost for the course: \$1,000 (Fellows); \$500 (technologist-must accompany a surgeon attending the course). Further information is available by contacting Gay Lynn Dykman, American College of Surgeons, 55 E. Erie St., Chicago, IL 60611; tel. 312/440-7153, e-mail gdykman@facs.org.



Be sure to visit the ACS Resource Center, which is located in the registration area of McCormick Place South. This exhibit provides information on: the Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS®) Course; the Commission on Cancer; the Committee on Trauma; Communications activities; the Development Program; Fellowship; Socioeconomic Affairs; and the National Cancer Data Base. The Resource Center will be open Sunday, October 12, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, and Monday, October 13, through Thursday, October 16, from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm.

### CME credit

The American College of Surgeons is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians. The American College of Surgeons designates that this continuing medical education offering also meets the criteria for hour-for-hour credit in Category 1 as outlined by the American Medical Association for the Physicians' Recognition Award.

To record your attendance for continuing education and recertification requirements, use the card inserted in the back of the official Program Book. If you have lost your card, you may obtain an extra copy at the Message and Information Center in McCormick Place South. These cards are for your personal record and in most circumstances do not need to be validated.

## Seminar offers virtual accompanist

This year the Science and Humanism Seminar features a remarkable computerized musical system to provide for a single instrumental performer a "virtual accompanist" varying from a piano to a full symphony orchestra. See and hear it on Monday from 3:30 to 5:00 pm. in Room S105a of McCormick Place South. Music as surgical accompaniment will also be discussed.

The following companies have supported the Clinical Congress with advertisements in the Exhibit Guide section of this issue:

**Appleton & Lange Applied Medical Resources** RFW **Circon Corporation Closure Medical Corporation** 

Cogent Light Technologies, Inc. Computer Motion, Inc.

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# Dr. and Mrs. Lincke to receive philanthropy award

he Fellows Leadership Society (FLS) will hold its ninth annual luncheon on Monday beginning at 11:45 am in the Grand Ballroom of the Chicago Hilton and Towers Hotel. The luncheon will feature the presentation of the 1997 Distinguished Philanthropist Award to Eric T. Lincke, MD, FACS, and his wife, Constance.

Dr. and Mrs. Lincke have been members of the Mayne Heritage for almost two years, after establishing a very generous gift for the American College of Surgeons while completing their estate plans. The Mayne Heritage is the distinguished donor organization that honors members of the Fellows Leadership Society who have provided for the American College of Surgeons through

their estate plans.

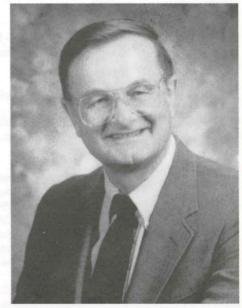
Dr. Lincke says, "The gift comes from the heart, and two-thirds of our estate is earmarked for philanthropy, which will benefit several institutions. The College is an organization I believe in. I've been a member for 25 years and will continue to support it. I wish to see its valuable goals perpetuated in the twenty-first century."

Although Dr. Lincke retired from fulltime surgical practice in 1993, he continues to demonstrate his commitment to the value of lifelong learning and will soon complete a bachelor's degree in German and mathematics from Northern Michigan University.

The FLS luncheon will also honor new Life Members of the Society, which currently is chaired by LaSalle D. Leffall, Jr., MD, FACS, former ACS President. Opening remarks will be offered by Hugh H. Trout III, MD, FACS, Chair of the ACS Development Committee.

The Society sponsors the luncheon for its members each year to publicly recognize and demonstrate appreciation for the generosity of the College's Fellowship and its many friends.

Dr. and Mrs. Lincke are the ninth recipients of the Distinguished Philanthropist Award. Previous honorees have been Dr. and Mrs. Neil Clements; Dr. and Mrs. Scott Woods; the Islami Family and Islami Foundation; Armand Hammer, MD; John Conley, MD, FACS; the Clowes Family and Clowes Fund of Indianapolis, IN; Oliver H. Beahrs, MD, FACS, and Julius H. Jacobson II, MD, FACS.



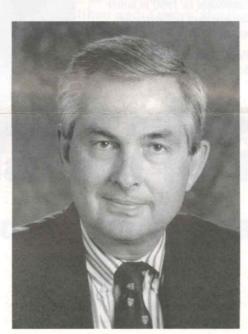
Dr. Lincke

## **Commission on Cancer activities planned for Congress**

he annual meeting of the Commission on Cancer will be held on Sunday, October 12, beginning at 3:00 pm in the Continental Ballroom of the Chicago Hilton and Towers Hotel. The keynote address will be presented by Glenn D. Steele, Jr., MD, FACS, dean of the biological sciences division, University of Chicago. Dr. Steele will speak on medical education and the surgeon. The meeting will be followed by a reception beginning at 5:00 pm in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Commission on Cancer.

Founded in 1922 as the Committee on the Treatment of Malignant Diseases, the Commission on Cancer is dedicated to the goal of reducing the morbidity and mortality caused by cancer through prevention, monitoring, and reporting of care, standard-setting, and education. A special celebration will take place, and a commemorative booklet will be distributed at the meeting and reception.

The Commission on Cancer Oncology Lecture will be held on Wednes-



Dr. Steele

day, October 15, in Room S100A of McCormick Place South, beginning at 11:00 am. Edward M. Copeland III, MD, FACS, interim dean of the College of Medicine and Edward R.

Woodward Professor and chairman, department of surgery, and director of the Cancer Center at Shands Hospital, University of Florida, Gainesville, will present "Are Surgical Oncologist Becoming Therapeutic Minimalists?" Further information regarding these Clinical Congress events may be obtained by contacting the Cancer Department in Room 4L of the Chicago Hilton and Towers Hotel.

## Panel to explore breast/ gynecological disorders in children

A panel discussion sponsored by the Advisory Council for Pediatric Surgery will take place on Tuesday morning to explore "Benign Breast and Gynecological Disorders in Children." The session will be held in McCormick Place South, Room S402b, from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm.

Kathryn D. Anderson, MD, FACS, Secretary of the College, will serve as moderator for the session. Presenters and their topics are: Benign Breast Disorders in Children and Adolescents, by Mary L. Brandt, MD, FACS, Houston,

TX; Pathophysiology of Gynecological Conditions from the Neonate to Adolescents, by S. Paige Hertweck, MD, Louisville, KY; Ovarian Pathology and Treatment, by Mary Elizabeth Fallat, MD, FACS, Louisville, KY; and Common and Uncommon Disorders of the External Genitalia, by Susan Pokorny, MD, Houston, TX.

Dr. Anderson notes that this session is informally dedicated to the memory of William Pokorny, MD, a well-known pediatric surgeon who died several years ago.

## Ninth edition of SESAP on display

The ninth edition of the College's Surgical Education and Self-Assessment Program (SESAP) '96-'98 will be on display all week in McCormick Place South. The current edition premiered in October 1995 and will be available through 1998. Visitors to the exhibit will have the opportunity to speak with with some of the program's authors and to view the program in all

three of its formats—book, diskette, and CD-ROM.

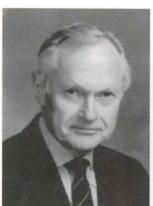
SESAP allows the practicing surgeon to master a broad range of clinically relevant information to stay current with surgical knowledge. Prepared under the auspices of the College's Committee on Continuing Education, SESAP is an excellent way to prepare for the American Board of Surgery's

qualifying exam, as well as the ABS recertification exam. Participants who return materials to the College for scoring earn 60 hours of Category 1 CME credit.

SESAP features 650 multiple choice items in 17 core subject areas. Comprehensive syllabi with detailed discussions and references to the current literature provide a complete review of each subject category.

The software versions of the program are offered in both IBM and compatibles for Windows and Macintosh. The computer versions incorporate all the illustrations in an easy-to-use, context-sensitive interface. A choice of two of the three formats is included in the enrollment fee.

## Named lectures during the Clinical Congress



American Urological **Association Lecture** Sponsored by the AUA since 1967, featuring diverse topics in surgery.

Monday, 10:15-11:15 am McCormick Place South,

Sherwin B. Nuland, MD, FACS "The Past Is Prologue: Surgeons Then and Now"



**Scudder Oration on Trauma** Evolved from the Oration on Fractures (1929) to honor Charles Locke Scudder as a founding member of the College and major contributor to surgery of trauma.

Tuesday, 1:30-2:15 pm McCormick Place South,

H. David Root, MD, FACS "Trauma: The Next Frontier"



I. S. Ravdin Lecture in the **Basic Sciences** 

Sponsored by the I. S. Ravdin Surgical Society since 1964 to honor I.S. Ravdin, MD, FACS, by promoting the application of basic sciences to surgery.

Wednesday, 1:30-2:15 pm McCormick Place South, S100a

Richard L. Simmons, MD, FACS "No, No, a Thousand Times Nitric Oxide'



**Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery Lecture** (History of Surgery) Sponsored by the council and first delivered in 1992 to explore the historical development of surgery.

Monday, 1:30-2:30 pm McCormick Place South, S100a

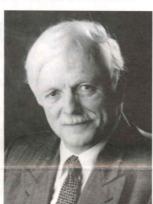
Eugene S. Flamm, MD. FACS "Neurosurgery before Cushing: The Formative Years 1517-1867



**Ethics and Philosophy Lecture** Established in 1990 through the generosity of John J. Conley, MD, FACS, to support the exploration of ethical issues in surgery.

Wednesday, 9:00-10:00 am McCormick Place South, S100bc

Jay Katz, MD, PhD "Reflections on Informed Consent 40 Years after Its Birth"



Distinguished Lecture of the **International Society of** Surgery Established in 1990 to honor

distinguished international surgeons.

Wednesday, 3:00-4:00 pm McCormick Place South, S100a

Sir David Carter. MD, FACS (Hon) "Cancer of the Digestive System—Has Surgery Nothing Further to Offer?"



John H. Gibbon, Jr., Lecture First delivered in 1971 to honor this pioneer of open-

Monday, 3:30-4:30 pm McCormick Place South,

Floyd D. Loop, MD, FACS "Travels in the Terrae Incognitae: Atherosclerosis and the Surgeon"



**Commission on Cancer Oncology Lectureship** Established in 1987 to explore major developments in oncology and to focus on the surgeon's

Wednesday, 11:00 am - 12:15 pm McCormick Place South, S100a

role in patient care.

Edward M. Copeland III, MD, FACS "Are Surgical Oncologists **Becoming Therapeutic** Minimalists?"



**Martin Memorial Lecture** Established in 1946 to honor Franklin H. Martin, MD, FACS, founder of the College, and his wife, Isabelle Hollister Martin.

Thursday, 3:15-3:55 pm McCormick Place South, S100a

Sen. William H. Frist, MD, FACS "Operating Outside the Theatre: New Challenges for Leadership"

## Scientific American Surgery adds video clips to CD-ROM

ince late 1995, Scientific American Surgery (SAS)-the textbook published by Scientific American Medicine under the aegis of the American College of Surgeons-has been available not only as a two-volume loose-leaf textbook but also as a CD-ROM, a format that is proving to be increasingly popular among subscribers. From the beginning, the CD-ROM has included all of the information contained in the book, both textual and illustrative, as well as sophisticated search tools that make all of that information accessible within seconds. Now, however, the electronic version of SAS is adding a unique new feature of its own.

Mindful of the fact that electronic publishing formats have certain inherent capabilities that the standard book format does not, the SAS editorial board and the Scientific American staff have decided to take greater advantage of the CD-ROM format by adding video clips illustrating selected aspects of surgical procedures. Accordingly, the current (fall 1997) edition of Scientific American Surgery

CD-ROM contains video clips in three chapters: "Open Repair of Hernias of the Abdominal Wall," by George E. Wantz, MD, FACS; "Esophageal Procedures: Minimally Invasive Approaches," by Marco G. Patti, MD, and Carlos A. Pellegrini, MD, FACS; and "Gastric Procedures," by John L. Sawyers, MD, FACS.

More clips will be added in subsequent versions of the disc. Additional chapters for which video clips are planned include: "Laparoscopic Inguinal Herniorrhaphy," by Marvin J. Wexler, MD, FACS; "Colorectal Procedures," by Theodore R. Schrock, MD, FACS; "Intestinal Anastomosis," by Zane Cohen, MD, FRCSC; "Thyroid and Parathyroid Procedures," by Orlo H. Clark, MD, FACS, and Gregg Jossart, MD; "Anal Procedures," by Ira J. Kodner, MD, FACS; and "Thoracoscopy," by Valerie R. Rusch, MD,

Also noteworthy in the current Scientific American Surgery CD- ROM is that the 17-chapter expansion program begun in 1995, which was designed to increase the book's coverage of operative technique and intraoperative (as opposed to perioperative) issues, has been completed. SAS is now a true comprehensive textbook for the modern general surgeon. In keeping with the continually evolving nature of the book, further improvements continue to be made as well. For example, in 1997, a new section on cost-effective nonemergency surgery was added. In addition, the entire trauma section is now being thoroughly reorganized and revised, with new chapters commis-

sioned from such noted trauma authorities as Kenneth L. Mattox, MD, FACS, David V. Feliciano, MD, FACS, Ernest E. Moore, Jr., MD, FACS, and Jack W. McAninch, MD, FACS.

The latest version of Scientific American Surgery CD-ROM is on display at Booth #667 on Publishers' Row in the technical exhibit area. Disks are available at the booth or may be ordered from Scientific American Medicine, Inc., 415 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10017; tel. 800/545-0554.

### Slide presentation on breast disease available

The "Breast Disease Curriculum," developed for use by Fellows of the College and other authorized persons for presentation to medical colleagues and practitioners in primary care, is available for review during the Clinical Congress. The curriculum, which consists of text and slides, covers the basic concepts and techniques for understanding, evaluating, and, when appropriate, treating common breast problems. The material is sufficient for at least a one-hour presentation. The purchase price is \$25. The kit is available for review at the Communications booth in the ACS Resource

# Liability in changing health settings to be examined this week

ith major changes rapidly occurring in today's health care environment, it is important for surgeons to be aware of new areas of physician liability brought about by managed health care plans, physician/hospital organizations (PHOs), health care alliances (HCAs), practice guidelines, and so on. This week the ACS Regental Committee on Professional Liability will sponsor a panel discussion and Postgraduate (PG) Course No.19 during this year's Clinical Congress to consider the impact of these changes on the practicing surgeon.

A panel discussion, "The Surgeon and the Law," will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 8:30-10:00 am, in Room S404a of McCormick Place South. Barry M. Manuel, MD, FACS, will serve as moderator. Topics to be discussed include recent changes in health care that have necessitated surgeons entering into new professional/economic relationships with a wide variety of health care organizations. This session will identify potential pitfalls these new relationships represent relative to Federal Trade Commission (FTC) regulations. Also scheduled for

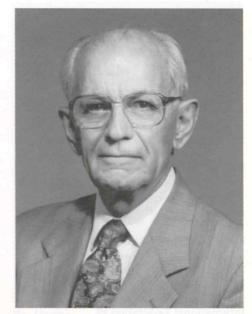
discussion: the new fraud and abuse provisions contained in the recently enacted Kennedy-Kassebaum legislation; the pernicious trend to criminalize professional liability and its resultant effect on the practice of surgery; and the effects of the release to the public of a surgeon's professional liability history and other personal information by state Boards of Registration in Medicine. Panelists will be Stephen Permison, MD, deputy director, quality assurance division, Health Resources Services Administration; Markus H. Meier, Esq., Bureau of Competition, FTC; Paul R. Van Grunsven, Esq., Techmeier and Van Grunsven, Milwaukee, WI; and Arnold Relman, MD, editor emeritus, New England Journal of Medicine, emeritus professor of medicine and public health, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA.

PG No. 19, "Professional Liability and Risk Management in a Changing Health Care Environment," will be held from 1:00 to 5:30 pm on Sunday, October 12, in the Marquette Room, Chicago Hilton and Towers Hotel. Barry M. Manuel, MD, FACS, and William W. Kridelbaugh, MD, FACS, will co-chair the session.



Dr. Manuel

The postgraduate course will address complex professional liability exposure questions in a changing health care environment and will cover new areas of physician liability, such as contract liability, vicarious liability (hold-harmless clauses), gatekeeper liability, practice liability, and administrative liability. Included in this discussion will be the expanded "duty of care" created by a



Dr. Kridelbaugh

managed care company contract, delay of care and denial of care liability, peer review, antitrust liability, as well as traditional high-risk areas of surgical practice. Methods available to deal with these risks will be discussed. Practical advice will be given on how to avoid a lawsuit, how to proceed when one is sued, and how to preserve one's mental health during this process.

# AWS program to address managed care, financial planning for female surgeons

n Sunday, October 12, the Association of Women Surgeons (AWS) will convene its eighth annual business meeting and fall educational sessions at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. The focus of this year's meeting is how to work with managed care organizations and financial planning options for surgeons.

A recent article in *Medical Economics* pointed out that in many HMO and managed care contracts with physicians, "quality indicators" are being used to determine up to 30 percent of physician reimbursement. These quality indicators include things such as patient satisfaction and how well physicians perform on HEDIS measures (the Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set, which is a series of quality benchmarks sponsored by the National Committee for Quality Assurance).

The AWS fall educational program addresses issues that are important to each specialty or practice situation. Sunday's program will begin with a general session on working with managed care organizations. Rosalyn Scott, MD, FACS, and Gary Clark of Clark Information Services, will discuss what kind of information should be recorded

on your practice and ways to present this data during contract negotiations. Susan Horn, PhD, professor, medical information, University of Utah, will discuss "Clinical Practice Improvement: A New Methodology to Determine High-Quality, Low-Cost Care," followed by a question- and-answer session with the audience. Both of these sessions will be interactive and will allow participants to work with data and to create reports.

After the AWS annual business luncheon, which will feature invited speaker Rosalyn Scott, MD, FACS, who will detail some of her recent experiences with a highly publicized malpractice case, meeting attendees can take advantage of optional financial planning seminars. The concurrent sessions address portfolio management, estate planning, practice succession, qualified retirement plans, and employer pension fund accounts. These sessions will be presented by The First National Bank of Chicago's private banking and investments division, and will take place from 1:30 - 3:00 pm.

Sunday evening's activities begin at 6:00 pm. A reception and awards program will take place at the International Museum of Surgical Science, with dinner immediately following at Cité at the

top of Lake Point Towers.

The final AWS activity during the week of the Clinical Congress will be the annual networking breakfast from 7:00 to 8:30 am on Wednesday, October 15. The breakfast will be held in the Marquette Room at the Chicago Hilton and Towers.

Member and nonmembers are wel-

come to attend all AWS events. For more information about the Association of Women Surgeons and its activities, contact the association's administrative offices at 414 Plaza Dr., Suite 209, Westmont, IL 60559; tel. 630/655-0392, fax: 630/655-0391, or e-mail aws@adminsys.com.

## Jim Henry offers College jewelry

Jim Henry, Inc., has offered ACS Fellows official College ties and jewelry for over 40 years. The company began an association with the College in 1953, offering cuff links, tie bars, key chains with emblems, and charms for spouses. Jim Henry began making the Fellowship certificates and expanded the line of accessories to include the ACS tie in two colors for men and women, blazer patches, blazer buttons, tie tacs, and more. Today, Jim Henry manufactures special plaques and desk accessories and a popular custom-designed ring with the College seal.

Jim Henry, Inc., is a family-owned business located in St. Charles, IL, that

was started in 1938. Today, it is managed by Jim Henry (president), his two sons, and other employees.

According to Mr. Henry: "We are very proud of the items we offer to the Fellows of the College. Indeed, the Fellowship certificate is one of the most beautiful and intricate documents we make, requiring some 16 runs through the engraving press. We feel privileged to have served the College, one of the most prestigious medical organizations in the world, for nearly 45 years."

Interested Fellows are encouraged to stop by the Jim Henry booth (551) in the technical exhibit area of McCormick Place South.

## Sunday

#### Morning

**Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories** 

7:00 am - 8:30 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, lobby level, Continental C.

**Association of Women Surgeons** 

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 5th floor, Room 5E.

**Biopsys Medical Inc** 

7:00 am - 10:00 am. Breakfast meeting. Hilton and Towers, 2nd floor, International North.

**Fischer Imaging Corporation** 

7:00 am - 10:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 2nd floor, Grand Ballroom.

International Federation of Societies of Endosopic Surgeons — Executive Committeee

7:00 am - 10:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Marquette.

International Federation of Societies of Endosopic Surgeons — Corporate Council

7:00 am - 10:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 1.

**Aesculapius Communications for Pfizer** 

7:00 am - 10:30 am. Meeting. Palmer House, 4th floor, Grand Ballroom.

Surgical Biology Club II

7:30 am - 8:30 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Williford C.

Surgical Biology Club I

7:30 am - 1:00 pm. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Williford A.

**American Society for Bariatric Surgery** 

8:00 am - 9:30 am. Breakfast. Marriott, 5th floor, Los Angeles.

**Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories** 

8:00 am - 11:30 am. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, lobby level, Continental B.

Surgical Biology Club II

8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 8th floor, Lake Ontario.

Surgical Biology Club III

8:30 am - 5:30 pm. Meeting. Fairmont Hotel, Chancellor Meeting Room.

**Association of Women Surgeons** 

9:00 am - 12:30 pm. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 2nd floor, Boulevard A.

American Society for Bariatric Surgery

9:00 am - 5:30 pm. Meeting. Marriott, 5th floor, Scottsdale.

#### **Afternoon**

**Association of Women Surgeons** 

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm. Luncheon. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Astoria Room.

**Association of VA Surgeons** 

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm. Luncheon. Marriott, 5th floor, Los Angeles. **American Society of Transplant Surgeons** 

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm. Luncheon. Sheraton, 2nd floor, Superior B.

**Nominating Committee** 

12:30 pm - 3:00 pm. Meeting. Sheraton, 2nd floor, Illinois Board Room.

**American Hernia Society** 

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Williford A.

Association for Surgical Education-Executive Committee

2:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Meeting. Marriott, 5th floor, Houston.

**Association of VA Surgeons** 

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Meeting. Marriott, 5th floor, Chicago F.

#### **Evening**

Association of VA Surgeons

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Reception. Marriott, 5th floor, Chicago G.

**Lifeline Foundation** 

 $5{:}00~\rm{pm}$  -  $7{:}00~\rm{pm}.$  Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Williford B.

Parkland Surgical Society and North Texas Chapter, ACS

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Waldorf Room.

**Association for Surgical Education** 

6:30 pm - 10:00 pm. Reception/dinner. Marriott, 5th floor, Kansas City.

## Monday

#### Morning

**Journal of Laparoscopic Surgery** 

7:00 am - 8:30 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 2.

Association for Surgical Education-Computer Committee

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Astoria Room.

**Association of Women Surgeons** 

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 3.

**Cancer Liaison Physicians** 

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast meeting. Hilton and Towers, lobby level, Continental B.

**SSAT Finance Committee** 

7:00 am - 11:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 5.

Adult Acquired Committee for JESATS VII

7:00 am - 3:00 pm. Breakfast meeting. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Williford A.

American Pediatric Surgical Association Board of Governors

7:00 am - 4:00 pm. Buffet luncheon. Hilton and Towers, 4th floor, 4M.

**Association for Surgical Education** 7:30 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast.

American Society for Head and

Marriott, 5th floor, Houston.

**Neck Surgery** 

7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Meeting. Sheraton, 2nd floor, Superior B. Association for Surgical Education/ Testing and Evaluation Committee

8:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast. Palmer House, 6th floor, Parlor A.

#### **Afternoon**

American Society of Colon/Rectal Surgeons—Website Editorial Board

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm. Luncheon. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 5.

American Association of Endocrine Surgeons

12:15 pm - 4:30 pm. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 2nd floor, Boulevard C.

California Tri-Chapter Officers Meeting

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 6.

American Association of Surgical Physician Assistants

1:30 pm - 6:30 pm. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 5th floor, 5F.

Ciné Med Inc.

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Meeting. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 2.

#### **Evening**

J. Bradley Aust Surgical Society

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Tremont Hotel, 2nd floor, TBD.

Massachusetts Chapter, American College of Surgeons

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, lobby level, Grand Traditions.

Department of Surgery, University of California, San Francisco

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception. Fairmont Hotel, Crystal Meeting Room.

Society of Air Force Clinical Surgeons 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.

SAFCS Headquarters, Location TBD.

American Association of Surgical

**Physician Assistants** 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Reception.

Hilton and Towers, 5th floor, 5G.

Baystate Medical Center

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 7.

Dept of Surgery, Univ. of FL, Univ. of South FL, Univ. of Miami, South Florida and Florida Chapters ACS

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, lobby level, Continental C.

Kansas Chapter and KU Medical School Departments of Surgery-Kansas City and Wichita Campuses

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception. Fairmont Hotel, Chancellor Meeting Room.

University of Oklahoma Surgical Society and Department of Surgery, University of Oklahoma

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception. Marriott, 5th floor, Scottsdale.

**Alton Ochsner Medical Foundation** 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 4th floor, 4M. American College of Surgeons, Illinois Chapter

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Marriott, 6th floor, Illinois.

**Brown University School of Medicine** 

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Fairmont Hotel, lobby level, Moulin Rouge.

**Hershey Surgical Society** 

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Williford C.

Massachusetts General Hospital Department of Surgery

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, lobby level, Continental B.

Ohio State University Department of Surgery

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 2nd floor, Boulevard B.

Society of Brigham Surgical Alumni

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, lobby level, Continental A.

St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital Center

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Marriott, 6th floor, Minnesota.

**St. Vincent's Surgical Society** 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.

Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 3.

SUNY-HSCB Department of Surgery/

Clarence Dennis Society/Alumni Association 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.

Westin Hotel, 3rd floor, Mayfair.

Temple University Medical Alumni

**Association** 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 2nd floor, Boulevard C.

UCLA Department of Surgery

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Marquette.

University of Alabama Medical Alumni Association and Department of Surgery 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Palmer House, 3rd floor, Crystal.

University of Connecticut School of Medicine

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Palmer House, 3rd floor, PDR # 8.

University of Kentucky, Department of Surgery 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.

Palmer House, 3rd floor, PDR # 7.

University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.
Fairmont Hotel, International Ballroom
Ambassador.

University of Pittsburgh

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 4.

The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Fairmont Hotel, Meeting Room Regent.

University of Wisconsin

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Palmer House, 5th floor, PDR 18.

## Wright State University Department of Surgery

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Marriott, 5th floor, Denver/Houston.

#### **Yale Surgical Society**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 2nd floor, Normandie Lounge.

## **Creighton University Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception. Palmer House, 3rd floor, PDR # 9.

#### St. Louis University Alumni Reception

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 2nd floor, Boulevard A.

#### **Camishion Surgical Society**

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 1.

## University of Texas-Houston Medical School Department of Surgery

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, Lower level, Mobley.

### Department of Surgery-Emory University School of Medicine

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception. Palmer House, 3rd floor, Wabash Parlor.

#### **Good Samaritan Hospital, Cincinnati**

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception. Fairmont Hotel, Royal Imperial Ballroom.

## Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Department of Surgery

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Williford B.

## University of Hawaii Integrated Surgical Residency Program

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Waldorf Room.

#### **UTMB-Singleton Surgical Society**

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Williford A.

#### Society of Loma Linda University

Surgeons

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Meeting. Sheraton, Huron.

#### Warren H. Cole Society

(Alumni Association of the Department of Surgery, University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine)

6:30 pm - 10:00 pm. Reception/Dinner. The Mid-America Club, 1st floor, Frank Lloyd Wright 1-3.

## Society of Philippine Surgeons in America 6:30 pm - 11:00 pm. Reception/dinner.

6:30 pm - 11:00 pm. Reception/dinner. Marriott, 5th floor, Chicago D.

#### John E. Connolly Surgical Society

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 5.

#### National Medical Association Surgical Section

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Astoria.

## The New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception. Palmer House, 3rd floor, Cresthill 11.

#### University of Missouri and the University of Missouri Surgical Society

7:00 pm - 9:30 pm. Reception/dinner. Westin Hotel, 3rd floor, Governor's Suite.

#### Israeli Chapter, ACS

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm. Reception/dinner. Hilton and Towers, 8th floor, Lake Huron.

## Tuesday

#### Morning

#### CICD

6:30 am - 8:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, Waldorf Room.

### American College of Surgeons, Indiana Chapter,

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 1.

#### General Surgery and Laparoscopy News 7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 7.

#### **Panamerican Trauma Society**

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast. Hilton and Towers, 3rd floor, PDR 2.

#### Thoracic Surgery Director's Association, Curriculum Implementation Task Force

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast meeting. Hilton and Towers, 5th floor, 5H.

#### American Society of Transplant Surgeons, Board Meeting

8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Breakfast meeting and Luncheon. Sheraton, 2nd floor, Michigan B.

#### Society for Surgery of the the Alimentary Tract Board Meeting

11:00 am - 3:00 pm. Luncheon. Sheraton, 2nd floor, Erie.

## **SAGES** to host session on pancreatic cancer

The Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES), in cooperation with The Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract, will convene a seminar, "Pancreatic Cancer: The Modern Approach," on Wednesday, October 15. The meeting will begin at 5:30 pm in the Monroe Ballroom of the Palmer House Hilton. The semi-

nar will explore state-of-the-art for imaging, endoscopic diagnosis, the role of laparoscopy, outcomes of surgical resection, laparoscopic cholecysto-jejunostomy, results of gemcitabine protocols, and outcomes of surgical treatment.

L. William Traverso, MD, FACS, Seattle, WA, will chair the seminar.

## Program allows residents to attend Congress

he Wyeth-Ayerst Resident Reporter Program will allow over 40 residents and fellows from major medical teaching institutions to attend the Clinical Congress in Chicago. The program is designed to provide these individuals with an opportunity to attend national clinical meetings, enhance their knowledge of new therapies, and share practical information with colleagues. Wyeth-Ayerst provides for travel and accommodations, and offers a 24-hour support service for attendees. At the conclusion of the Clinical Congress, the "reporters" will return to their teaching institutions and present the information gleaned from the sessions to those peers who were unable to attend. Their reports are later collected, bound, and distributed to all resident reporters and their respective program directors.

To date, more than 4,500 residents and fellows have attended a national clinical meeting through the Resident Reporter Program. For more information regarding the program, contact Susan M. Arnholt, Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories, Office of Medical Liaison, Box 8299, Philadelphia, PA 19101; tel. 610/971-4261.

## Hands-on experience with ultrasound offered

Postgraduate (PG) course No. 23, "Ultrasound for Surgeons," begins Monday afternoon at 1:30 pm in McCormick Place North, Room N427a. The objective of this course is to acquaint the practicing surgeon with the principles of diagnostic ultrasound. Sessions will provide the practicing surgeon with hands-on experience in the use of ul-

trasound in the management of breast disease, gastrointestinal disease, and trauma.

Steven R. Shackford, MD, FACS, Burlington, VT, and Edgar D. Staren, MD, PhD, FACS, Chicago, IL, will serve as co-chairs for PG No. 23. Further information may be found on page 123 of the Clinical Congress Program Book.

### **Program Changes**

#### **Motion Picture Sessions**

The order of film presentations and other material in Tuesday's Ciné Clinic Session on Pancreatic Surgery, beginning at 8:30 am, McCormick Place South, S102bcd, has been updated since publication of the Program Book. The correct information follows:

Coordinator and Presiding Officer: Alexander S. Rosemurgy II, MD, FACS, Tampa, FL.

"Surgical Approach to Complicated Cases of Chronic Pancreatitis and Biliary Obstruction"

Authors: John S. Minasi, MD, FACS, Charlottesville, VA.; John B. Hanks, MD, FACS, Charlottesville, VA.. Discussant: Michael G. Sarr, MD, FACS, Rochester, MN.

"Resection of Pancreatic Tumor" Authors: Abdool R. Moossa, MD, FACS, San Diego, CA.; Jeffrey Cohen, MD, San Diego, CA. Discussant: Richard H. Bell, Jr., MD, FACS, Seattle, WA.

"Resection and Anastomosis of Superior Mesenteric/Portal Vein during Pancreaticoduodenectomy"

Author: Leslie H. Blumgart. MD.

Author: Leslie H. Blumgart, MD, FACS, New York, NY.. Discussant: Richard C. Karl, MD, FACS, Tampa, FL.

"Papillary-Cystic Tumor of the Pancreas in Pregnancy" Author: Dana K. Andersen, MD, FACS, New Haven, CT.; Zubair Niazi, MD, New Haven, CT.; Jill Madsen, MD, New Haven, CT.; Mark Topazian, MD, New Haven, CT.. Discussant: Douglas B. Evans, MD, FACS, Houston, TX.

"Papilloduodenectomy"

Author: Edward L. Bradley III, MD, FACS, Buffalo, NY. Discussant: F. Charles Brunicardi, MD, FACS, Houston, TX.

"Pancreatoduodenectomy"

Author: Murray F. Brennan, MD, FACS, New York, NY. Discussant: Howard A. Reber, MD, FACS, Los Angeles, CA.

"Localization and Resection of Insulinoma"

Author: James Norman, MD, FACS, Tampa, FL. Discussant: Jon A. van Heerden, MD, FACS, Rochester, MN.

"Operation for Chronic Pancreatitis" Author: Larry C. Carey, MD, FACS, Tampa, FL. Discussant: William A. Nealon, MD, FACS, Galveston, TX.

The co-author for "Laparoscopic Left Adrenalectomy for Pheochromocytoma," at Monday's 8:30 am Subject-Oriented Symposium: Endocrine Surgery program is Stanley J. Rogers, MD, San Francisco, CA.

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# JACS team produces a world-class clinical journal

he Journal of the American College of Surgeons (JACS) has gone through a number of significant changes, the most obvious being the sale of the publishing and production aspects of the Journal to an outside company, Elsevier Science, Inc., in New York, NY. The College retains ownership and direction of editorial policies. Elsevier assumed its responsibilities for the Journal in March 1997, and the July issue was the first issue published by the respected medical publisher.

Originally Surgery, Gynecology & Obstetrics (or SG&O), the Journal was first published on July 5, 1905, by Franklin H. Martin, and actually was the precursor to the Clinical Congress. The Journal has been the flagship publication of the American College of Surgeons for 90 years; it was renamed in 1994 because the College believed that a title change was needed to help Fellows, and the public, identify the Journal as the official journal of the American College of Surgeons.

JACS and Elsevier will be at this year's Clinical Congress in Booth 781, where the newly designed cover will be displayed. The booth will be staffed by the small but dedicated team responsible for producing the Journal. Seymour I. Schwartz, MD, FACS (Rochester, NY) is Editor-in-Chief,



Wendy Cowles Husser is Executive Editor, and Anne Magrath and Anne Wolfe are the editorial production specialists in the *Journal's* offices at College headquarters. In addition to this core staff, the *Journal* relies on the expertise of its 82-member Editorial Board for the rigorous peer review process that all published articles undergo. Recently, the Board has been augmented by a Statistician and a permanent Book Review Editor.

The College's *Journal* staff will be on hand at Booth 781 in the technical exhibit area of McCormick Place South.

## CC News/Press Room Numbers: Update

Since the publication of the Program Book, several room numbers in McCormick Place South have been changed. Please note that the Clinical Congress News office is located in room A2-3-2, and the Press Room is located in room A2-2-1.

## **Exhibits open**

Scientific and technical exhibits open Monday at 9:30 am.

#### PROGRAM CHANGES, from page 7

The co-author and presenter for the "New Imaging Video on Endoscopic Surgery," at Wednesday's Motion Picture Session on Otorhinolaryngology is: Ron L. Moses, MD, Philadelphia, PA.

#### **General Sessions**

The discussant for the paper presentation, "A Phase III, Randomized, Double-Blind Multi-Institutional Trial of Vaccinia Melanoma Oncolysate (VMO) versus Vaccinia (V) Alone for Patients with AJCC Stage III Melanoma: The Final Analysis," at Papers Session I on Tuesday at 1:30 pm, is James F. Huth, MD, FACS, Dallas, TX.

#### **Postgraduate Courses**

PG 23, Ultrasound for Surgeons: In Sessions III and IV (Hands-on Skillstations, Skillstation: Breast) Peter D. Beitsch, MD, Dallas, TX., replaces Dr. Krag.

#### **Congress Notes**

## Program participants may review slides and films

Beginning on Sunday from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm, participants may review their slides and films in the Speaker Ready Room, Reg- 1, McCormick Place South.

#### **Ticket holders**

Postgraduate course tickets are sized to fit into the Congress badge holders. You can keep track of your ticket(s) by sliding it into the holder behind your badge and revealing it at the door as you enter the course room.

#### **Portraits**

Arrangements have been made with Oscar & Associates to photograph Initiates and Fellows of the College who desire to have full color or black-and-white portraits taken in Fellowship robes. A photographer will be available in McCormick Place South, level 3, during the following times: Sunday from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm, and Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am until 5:00 pm.

It is suggested that you arrange for your sitting as early in the week as possible. Oscar & Associates will have an assortment of official Fellowship caps and gowns available for your use. There is no charge for the sitting itself. Proofs will be viewed in full color, from which you may order either color or blackand-white finished photographs. A schedule of rates is available at the studio and appointment desk.

Initiates and Fellows who elect to be photographed will see their "proofs" via video screen immediately after their sitting. Although the photography is done by conventional process, an Eastman Kodak electronic previewing system will be used, which allows for simultaneous recording on film and video. This system allows the subject to select favorite views prior to leaving the studio area. Make sure you allow time to be photographed in this manner.

#### **Exhibit rules**

More than 150 scientific and approximately 350 technical exhibits will be on display in McCormick Place South. Hours are: 9:30 am-3:30 pm, Monday through Wednesday, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm Thursday.

Persons 16 years of age or older who are accompanying surgeons are welcome to tour the exhibit areas. They must register and pay \$25 at the Social Program registration area in McCormick Place South. Children under the age of 16 will not be admitted to the exhibit areas.

Medical students, nurses, and allied health personnel may tour the exhibit areas without charge, provided they are registered and have a name badge.

Spouses who register for the Social Program may use the badge they receive to enter the exhibit areas. All other persons registered for the Clinical Congress may gain admittance by showing their official badge.

#### **Message and Information Center**

The Message and Information Center, located in McCormick Place South, can provide you with messages, information about the programs and related activities, and names of persons registered and their hotels. Inquiries concerning the Clinical Congress may be made at the Message and Information Center.

It will not be possible to page individuals or to make announcements. If you wish to reach someone attending the Congress, call 312/949-8860 and ask that the message be posted. Also, if you are expecting a call, please check the postings whenever you are in or near the registration area. Please leave the number with your office or with anyone who might want to reach you this week.

The hours of the Message and Information Center are the same as those of the Registration desk: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm Sunday, and 7:30 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Thursday.

#### **Surgical Forum**

The complete papers for most of the 358 titles presented in this year's Forum on Fundamental Surgical Problems are published in the *Owen H. Wangensteen Surgical Forum, Volume XLVIII*, which is on sale during and after the Congress for \$25 per copy (price includes complimentary CD-ROM). Volumes are available in the general registration area of McCormick Place South.

#### **Audiotapes**

Selected postgraduate courses, general sessions, multidisciplinary programs, specialty sessions, and named lectures will be recorded live and available on audiotapes. Additional information and order forms are available during the Clinical Congress at the National Audio Video booth in the registration area.

#### Lost and found

Lost and found areas will be located in the ACS Convention and Exhibit Office at McCormick Place South, A2-1-2, and in the Convention Office at the Chicago Hilton and Towers, 4D, 4th floor.

#### Caps and gowns

Distribution will be on Thursday, October 16, from 1:30 pm until the Convocation ceremony begins, in the Grand Ballroom, 2nd floor, Chicago Hilton and Towers. Caps and gowns may be turned in on Thursday in the Grand Ballroom of the Chicago Hilton and Towers at the conclusion of the Convocation.

#### Friends of Bill W

Friends of Bill W will meet Sunday through Wednesday, 7:00-8:30 pm, in the Chicago Hilton and Towers, PDR2, 3rd floor.